



CMAX 06

Collaborative Multi-Agency Exercise 2006 Media Information Guide



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CMAX 2006 is a mass casualty exercise to evaluate the emergency preparedness of the partnership between the National Naval Medical Center, Suburban Hospital, and the National Institutes of Health Clinical Center. This year's exercise takes our response model from the local community to the National Capital Region.

MILITARY:

- National Naval Medical Center
- Joint Forces Headquarters
National Capital Region
- Uniformed Services University
- Air Force District Washington
- D.C. National Guard
- West Virginia National Guard
- 459th ASTS (Andrews AFB)
- 1st Helicopter Squadron
- 121st Aviation Battalion (West Virginia National Guard)
- Andrews AFB
- Walter Reed Army Medical Center

Participants

FEDERAL / CIVILIAN:

- National Institutes of Health Clinical Center
- Suburban Hospital
- Montgomery County Hospital**
- Collaborative:**
- Holy Cross Hospital
- Kaiser Permanente
- Montgomery County General Hospital
- Shady Grove Adventist Hospital
- Washington Adventist Hospital

EMERGENCY SERVICES:

- National Disaster Medical System / Dept. of Homeland Security.
- Montgomery County Department of Homeland Security
- NNMC Fire Dept.
- National Institutes of Health Fire Dept. / Hazardous Response Team
- Montgomery County Fire / Rescue Service
- Walter Reed Army Medical Center Fire Dept.

Key CMAX Information

- Over 8000 Total Participants
- Over 75 "Realistic" Victims
- Nearly 200 Simulated Casualties in Local Area
- 100+ Casualties from I-495 Bus / Truck Accident.
- Nearly 100 Casualties at Rock Creek Park from Helicopter Incident.
- Simulated Casualties Designed to Tax Available EMS Resources in the Region
- Casualty Treatment Breakdown
- 35 to NNMC • 35 to Suburban • 8 to Andrews AFB
- 10 Transfer from Suburban to NIH
- 2 HAZMAT Response Teams
- 40 Emergency Response Units
- HH60 and UH1 Helicopter Transports

Displays

State-of-the-Art
Medical Surge Shelters

UH1 and OH58
Helicopter Static
Displays

Joint Forces Headquarters
Incident
Command Bus



Major Training Topics

- Overview of the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) - *Mr. Mike Staley / Dr. Matthew Minson* (Memorial Auditorium) 0730-0815
- Pandemic Influenza Planning - *Dr. David Henderson* (Clark Auditorium) 0730-0815
- Mass Casualty Incidents: Critical Issues in Triage/Trauma Care - *Dr. Dany Westerland* (Memorial Auditorium) 0830-0915
- Handling of Traumatic Stress During Crisis - *Dr. Thomas Grieger* (Clark Auditorium) 0830-0915
- Hospital Incident Command System - *Dr. Craig Thorne* (Memorial Auditorium) 0930-1015
- Changing the Name of the Game – The Israeli Healthcare Providers Reality: Living in a Conflict Zone - *Dr. Yuri Millo* (1967-2006) (Clark Auditorium) 0930-1015
- Special Populations in Mass Casualty Incidents - *Ms. Dianne Whyne* (Memorial Auditorium) 1300-1345
- Pandemic Preparedness: Guidance for Healthcare Employees and Employers - *Dr. John Piacentino* (Clark Auditorium) 1300-1345
- Nuclear and Radiological Terrorism - *Colonel William Dickerson* (Memorial Auditorium) 1400-1445
- Overview of the National Disaster Medical System (NDMS) - *Mr. Robert Jevic* (Clark Auditorium) 1400-1445

Leadership / Observers

Partnership Facility's Leaders:

National Naval Medical Center Commander, Rear Admiral Adam Robinson
Suburban President and CEO, Mr. Brian Gragnolati; NIH Clinical Director, Dr. John I. Gallin

Official Observers:

Scottsdale Health Care - General Dynamics (Scottsdale) - Arizona National Guard
Members of Congress along with other military and civilian leaders

Evolution...

Partnership Goals

1. Assuring that each institution can respond rapidly and effectively to any emergency situation.
2. Providing streamlined integration of the responses of the three partner institutions with other community, regional, and national emergency plans.
3. Establishing a model for other federal and private sector hospitals to form similar partnerships.

History

The Bethesda Hospital's Emergency Preparedness Partnership was established in February 2004. In October of that year the nation's first collaborative mass casualty exercise of military, federal and private healthcare facilities was held. In September 2005, CMAX featured 4,000 participants. The Partnership has received Congressional funding to support its initiatives. CMAX 2006 is a Region-wide exercise with 20 organizations, 8 area hospitals, 40 response units from local, state, and DOD agencies. Since its inception CMAX has grown into an efficient exercise in preparedness, communication, and teamwork that the rest of the nation's emergency and health care agencies can use as a model.

Mission Statement

Collaboratively, the National Naval Medical Center, the National Institutes of Health Clinical Center, and the Suburban Hospital Healthcare System will create and sustain the Bethesda Hospital Emergency Preparedness Partnership (BHEPP). The Partnership will leverage its complementary resources to respond to local, regional, and national emergencies in the National Capital Region as well as conduct research about emergency preparedness. This regional emergency readiness collaboration will serve as an exportable model nationally and internationally.